OKLAHOMA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLAINT

| STATE OF OKLAHOMA, ex. rel. |) | |
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| STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION |) | |
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| Applicant |) | |
| |) | 2018-23 |
| vs. |) | |
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| WARREN HITCHCOCK |) | |
| |) | |
| Respondent |) | |

HEARING ON PROPOSED REVOCATION OF CERTIFICATE NUMBER 432382

The above-entitled matter came on for hearing before Administrative Law Judge Gay Abston Tudor on February 14, 2020, pursuant to assignment from the Oklahoma State Board of Education ("Board"). Appearing for the Applicant was Telana McCullough, Assistant General Counsel for the Board. The Respondent Warren Hitchcock did not appear.

Respondent is holder of teaching certificate number 432382. The State Department of Education ("Department") filed an Application for Emergency Order to Summarily Suspend and Application to Revoke that certification. The Application was sent to Respondent by certified mail on December 14, 2018, and an Order granting the Application to Suspend was entered on December 18, 2018 and sent to Respondent by certified mail on December 20, 2018.

Notice of a hearing set for February 14, 2020, on the proposed revocation was sent to Respondent by certified mail on January 21, 2020. According to the Department's rules, service of notice by such means is complete. OAC 210:1-5-6(d)(3). The rules also state that if the holder of the certificate fails to appear at the scheduled hearing, the Board or hearing officer shall hold the party in default and issue an order sustaining the allegations set forth in the application for revocation. OAC 210:1-5-6(g)(1)(C).

ORDER

The undersigned Administrative Law Judge finds:

Respondent was properly served with notice of the hearing on the Application for Revocation of Certificate. Respondent failed to appear. Therefore, the teaching certificate of Respondent Warren Hitchcock is hereby REVOKED, effective February 14, 2020.

Gay Abston Tudor Administrative Law Judge